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City of Canal Winchester's 6th Annual Community Garden

CANAL WINCHESTER – After the mild winter we've had, it's time to start thinking about spring! The City of Canal Winchester is now accepting requests from residents for community garden plots. The sixth annual community garden will be located behind Bolenbaugh Hardware in the grassy area referred to as Emma's Meadow.

It's free to participate in the community garden, available to city residents only. All plots will be allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis, so anyone interested is encouraged to turn in the required agreement as soon possible. Plots will be assigned on April 30.

There are 55 garden plots, each measuring 10 feet by 20 feet. Households may request more than one plot, but additional plots will only be assigned if plots are still available after each household requesting a plot has received one. The Canal Winchester Rotary club will be tilling and marking off the plots.

Everyone who participates in the community garden will be responsible for taking care of their designated space, including supplying water to their plot (not available at the site) and removing any plants or other materials by November 1. If you are interested in taking part in the community garden, you can pick up an agreement form at the city's municipal building located at 36 S. High Street or print one online. This community project is brought to you in partnership with the City of Canal Winchester and the Canal Winchester Rotary. For more information, contact Diane Mays at 614-837-7501 or dmays@canalwinchesterohio.gov.

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